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Subpart C—Standards for Chemical Testing for Dangerous Drugs

§16.301 Procedures for Transportation Workplace Drug Testing Programs.

Drug testing programs subject to this part shall be conducted in accordance with 49 CFR part 40, Procedures for Transportation Workplace Drug Testing Programs. This subpart summarizes requirements for drug testing programs contained in those regulations. Those regulations should be consulted to determine the specific procedures which must be established and utilized. Drug testing programs required by this part shall use only drug testing laboratories certified by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

§16.310 General.

- (a) Collection site. The employer shall ensure that the collection site is adequate to provide for the collection, security, temporary storage, and shipping of specimens to a certified drug testing laboratory.
- (b) *Security.* Procedures shall provide for the collection site to be secure. Collection sites dedicated solely for specimen collection must be secure at all times. Collection sites which are not dedicated solely for specimen collection must be secured during specimen collection.
- (c) Access to authorized personnel only. No unauthorized personnel shall be permitted in any part of a collection site when specimens are collected nor shall unauthorized personnel be allowed access to stored specimens.
- (d) *Privacy.* Procedures for collecting urine specimens shall allow for individual privacy unless there is reason to believe that a particular individual may alter or substitute the specimen to be provided.
- (e) Integrity of specimens. Collection site personnel shall take precautions to ensure that each specimen is not adulterated or diluted during the collection process.

§ 16.320 Chain of custody.

(a) A chain of custody for each specimen to be chemically tested shall be established and maintained from the

time of specimen collection through the testing of the specimen.

- (b) If a specimen is not immediately prepared for shipment, it shall be safeguarded during temporary storage.
- (c) Every effort shall be made to minimize the number of persons handling specimens.

§16.330 Specimen handling and shipping.

- (a) The employer shall obtain a specimen collection and shipping kit to be used to collect specimens and ship them to the certified drug testing laboratory.
- (b) The specimen collection and shipping kit, as required by 49 CFR part 40, shall contain:
- (1) Plastic urine specimen bottles in a sufficient quantity to accommodate the people to be tested;
- (2) Means for sealing and identifying specimen bottles;
 - (3) Chain of custody forms;
- (4) A set of step-by-step instructions which describe the proper procedures to be followed during specimen collection, handling, and shipping; and
- (5) Shipping materials.
- (c) The marine employer shall ensure that specimens are promptly shipped to a certified testing laboratory meeting the requirements of §16.340. Chain of custody documents must accompany each specimen from the time of specimen collection through shipment to and testing by the laboratory.
- (d) Specimens shall be shipped by an expeditious means.

§16.340 Test laboratory requirements.

- (a) The employer shall ensure that all chemical testing for dangerous drugs required by this part is conducted by a DHHS certified laboratory.
- (b) The laboratory shall meet the requirements of 49 CFR part 40.

§16.350 Specimen analysis.

- (a) Each specimen shall be analyzed in accordance with 49 CFR 40.29, which requires testing for—
 - (1) Marijuana;
 - (2) Cocaine;
 - (3) Opiates:
 - (4) Phencyclidine (PCP); and
 - (5) Amphetamines.